

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1361 without my signature.

Drunk driving is a serious public safety hazard, and I fully support any meaningful efforts to curb this practice. Unfortunately, this bill would not diminish the occurrence of driving under the influence (DUI) in a meaningful way as it would restore the driving privileges of DUI offenders – many of whom have multiple DUI convictions – much sooner than currently allowed. Although ignition interlock devices have a good track record in preventing drunk driving, this bill would only mandate their installation in the vehicles of persons who would, under current law, be off the streets entirely.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger